Fiber and Fiber Products Committee Agenda
May 3, 2021
7:00pm Eastern, 6:00pm Central, 5:00pm Mountain, 4:00pm Pacific

| Committee Members: | |
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| B-J Ellis | Present |
| Alyssa Winterfeld (AOA Staff Liaison) | Present |
| Ruth Fuqua | Present |
| Karen Ball | Not present |
| Wini Labrecque (BOD Liaison) | Present |
| Elizabeth Taylor | Present |
| Elaine Gerber | Not present |
| Charlene Schmid (Committee Chair) | Present |
| Clarissa Wisner | Present |
| Dana Rhodes | Not present |
| Robin Gifford | Present |

1.0 Action: Call to order
Meeting called to order at 4:05.

2.0 Action: April Meeting Minutes
R. Fuqua moved to accept April minutes as written.
E. Taylor seconded motion.

3.0 Discussion: Fiber Extravaganza, Alyssa

a. Key-note and speaker updates
Winterfeld inquired as having the virtual Key-Note speaker available to access to non-attendees.

b. Possible fiber related discussion topics (round table/zooms)
Robin shared the success of the roundtable webinars and wants to extend the topics into fiber with an effort to structure conversations and provide foundational information with hopes of moving through bottlenecks of progress.

As a result of the discussion, the Fiber Committee will focus on

- structure for conversations in a roundtable setting at the Natural Fiber Extravaganza and/or Zoom meeting

- information regarding the basic steps of commercial processing
- information regarding the foundational needs of a cooperative

c. Committee support for promotion
Registration is open; all can push out the promotion of the event.

d. Member Marketplace—Need:
The Fiber Committee discussed previous marketplace structure and will continue in the same manner.

Ruth will assign contributing vendors volunteer times to cover the store.

Alyssa will ensure 8 tables, 6 grids, and a sign.

The committee discussed selling fleece in the marketplace. This has been a topic that has not come to resolution for a few years and the committee will work through this for next year.

Additional options, such as the sales of show fleece will be considered and fully developed for the 2022 NFE.

e. Please review the current website at
The Marketplace web page will have the fleece sales verbiage removed for this year.

f. Student design display Ruth
Check in—all is well

g. Fleece display
Printing display signs and purchase mailer boxes.
May need replacement of some samples.

3.5 Discussion/Action: Hand-spun and Mill-spun competition
Move that there be a form created for fiber artist that are non-AOA members to register for the Fiber Arts and Skeins show. See form approved for Fiber Arts Show. Fiber Arts Entry Form (pdf with fillable

fields)
Fiber Arts Entry Tags (pdf with fillable fields)

R. Fuqua moved to have similar forms for Hand and Mill Spun entries.
E. Taylor seconded motion.

4.0 Update: AOA Board Update, Wini

4.1 BOD feedback on the proposed fiber standards

Presented to board, asked for it to be a more formal format and they will vote on it next meeting. No further recommendations.

5.0 Discussion: Establish Alpaca fiber as a commodity

Tabled due to time.

6.0 Open Discussion All

None at moment

E. Taylor motioned meeting adjourned at 5:10.
C. Wisner seconds the motion.